FINDS NEAR BAGDAD.

Ten Thousand Tablets in an Engrmous Building-Possibly Antediluvian Records. London Times.

On Monday evening, during a disquarian value.

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digging for four days we came upon the top of some walls. This induced us to persevere with increased ardor,

Our Yanishing Fores and we soon found that we had come upon an enormous building, in which we began to find inscriptions. I may here say that I am not an Assyrian reader. I am only a discoverer of Assyrian relics, which I send to the British Museum, where those who have made Assyriology a study interpret the in-scriptions I find. We first of all discovered four rooms, and then came upon the fifth. They were what I should call generally of the Assyrian or Babylonian order, and paved with bricks or stones; but the fifth room was paved with asphalt, the discovery of which brought to my mind Solomon's of pine land in other states as well as saying: "There is nothing new under the sun." Previous to this I had always able timber of other kinds, but the thought that asphalt was a modern in- above figures show (first) that the pine vention. Singular as this discovery states in the South contain the greater was, we dug through the asphalt, and amount of timber, and (second) that in a short time we were rewarded by the pine in northern states is being cut coming upon a coffer on which we much more rapidly than in the South. found inscriptions. From this coffer At the rate of the cutting of 1880, withwe took two cylinders. These were out making allowance for the increase covered with inscriptions which are supposed to be the most important records of the oldest city in the world, founded, as historians tell us, by Noah twelve years. At this rate the South after the deluge, and where, according must furnish the greater part of the to tradition, Noah buried the antedilu- pine lumber in 1890. vian records. Well, I had to come home; but I left some workmen continuing the operations at the spot, and first is to check the consumption of crushed into powdered wheat or flour I have ascertained that they have found, wood. This can be done, and is being after a few days' more digging, that in done to some extent, by the substituone of the rooms there was a channel, tion of iron for wood in various ways. and inside that channel there were re- The second is tree culture—the plantcords, inscribed on nearly 10,000 tablets.

These tablets are all coming to England, but we can not, of course, as yet say of land from which trees are cut are for but we can not, of course, as yet say what they contain. They may contain nothing so valuable as for a nursery of cet over the marble basin in his dresssomething of even greater value than young trees. It may become necessary ing room.

anything that has hitherto been discov-some time to require every man who "James," she said, "that is not the anything that has hitherto been discov- some time to require every man who ered in the course of our Eastern researches. It may be, indeed, that we shall really find on them the antedilu- uncultivated-perhaps worthless for vian records of which I have spoken. cultivation under our diffusive and After I have been out there again I shall be happy to give you further information as to this interesting discovery on my return. I hope to be going or indirectly, already offer bounties for out in another month, and then, I trust, I shall be able to make still further advances on what we have already dis-

Such a Getting Up Stairs.

There is a man in the Seventh Ward that is probably the meanest man in this country. He had rather play a joke on his family than to pay a note. His people, the women folks are as afraid as death of fire arms, and when there was so much talk about toy pistols into their hands than to spend it for killing children, they worried their some foolish thing as quickly as possilives out nearly, for fear the little five- ble. To such, a lesson of self-denial year-old would get hold of one of them and economy is very important. As and blow a lot of his thumbs off. The go the boy's pennies and dimes, so, family was away for a week or two, leaving this mean man and the little boy at home, and from all reports the having the spirit of a miser, the person man and the boy had a healthy old time. accustomed to save has more pleasure This mean man is a great sportsman, and he had a neat little revolver that knows. he can kill a rat with four times out of five. While the family was away he got a lot of blank cartridges for the re- ed is pretty certain to abide with its volver, and he and the young hopeful used to go down in the basement and ited, or that in any way comes in withfire blank cartridges at the furnace out a fair and just equivalent, is almost door. The little fellow got so he could shoot blank cartridges like a hero, and man who begins by saving a few dollars he promised not to tell anybody that a month, and thriftily increases his papa had been teaching him to shoot, though he was as proud of his proficiency as could be. The family got fully done-stands a better chance to back, and one evening there were two spend the last of his life in affluence or three ladies in to spend the even- than he who in his haste to become

the little boy. The mean man loaded the revolver with blank cartridges and told the little fellow they would have some fun. He fixed the little fellow up like an Indian, and told him to take the revolver and go in the sitting-room and yell, "whoop," and fire the whole seven cartridges. It was a picnic for the little is unfashionable she will be willing to SUFFERERS from Gleet and Generation or ladies trush cartridges. It was a picnic for the little fellow. He came up out of the base- dye. - Texas Siftings. ment, opened the door and "whooped," and began to fire. They were talking such innocent pastime, when the firing but after he has paid, he never forgets commenced. The mether of the child that he has paid. Man is naturally a \$1.00 recognized him and started to take the liar.

revolver away, but he pointed it at her and fired a second shot and got behind a rocking chair and kept blazing away. The mother thought she was killed and fell over a hassock and rolled under a table. One of the lady callers got up cussion which took place on a paper on a sofa and pulled ap her skirts so if sam, the well-known discoverer of every one of them would have hit her.

Assyrian relics, said: "In March last I Another got behind the stove and held went out again to the East, as you an evening paper up before her, and know I am always doing for the purthey all yelled murder. The grandfap se of finding out the old cities which ther was sewing carpet-rags, and at the lie buried there. As I was journeying first fire he dropped a stitch and fell on one occasion in pursuit of this ob- over a cuspidore and began to say his ject I met with an Arab who told me prayers. An old lady who had come in that he knew of an old ruined city, the to borrow some goose oil, run up stairs remains of which were to be found and got into the bath-room and locked within five hours of Bagdad—that is herself in. As the last shot was fired to say, taking the compulation of three at the cat, which was trying to get unmiles an hour, the place he knew of der the stove, the mean man came in, was fifteen miles from Bagdad. As we were traveling along the route pointed out by the Arab, we came at a distance of four hours' journeying upon an old of the stove, the mean man came in, and calling the boy by his name said, "Hello, having some fun with the visitors, eh?" and he coolly took the revolver and put it in his pocket and asked if any of the stove, the mean man came in, and calling the boy by his name said, "Hello, having some fun with the visitors, eh?" and he coolly took the revolver and put it in his pocket and asked if any of the stove, the mean man came in, and calling the boy by his name said, "Hello, having some fun with the visitors, etc." ruin that I had never seen—a ruin of asked if any of them were hit. They great magnitude-so large, indeed, that all said they were hit, and, do you know, it must be about three miles in circum-ference. I at first thought that this thought they were wounded, and went was the place of which my guide had probing around for the bullets. Then spoken. We went onward, and at last he told them it was only a lot of blank the Arab showed me a most wonder- cartridges, and that he and the boy had ful ruin. I set to work and excavated been practicing for two weeks, and then there, but I found nothing of any anti- the women went at him and came near pulling all the hair out of his head, be-"I afterward went to the place I had cause he was mean enough to search first seen, and commenced a thorough them for bullets. Some men, who have search there. The result was that after never run for office even, are meaner

> Our Vanishing Forests. New! York Shipping List, January 25.

The quantity of mercantile pine lumber, board measure, cut in the United States in 1880, together with the avail-

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	Standing Pine.	Cut Census Yr. '80
Texas, feet	67,508,500 000	174,440,000
Wisconsin	41,000,000,000	2,097,199,000
Michigan	35,000,000,000	4,497,211,000
Mississippi	23,97000,000	115,775,000
Alabama	21,192,000,000	245,396,000
Florida	6,615,000,000	208,056,000
Minnesota	6,100,000,000	540,977,000
Enture b	ullating will	give the extent

fells a tree to replace it with a seedling. In most of our states, too, there is land somewhat careless agricultural systems -but well adapted to raise a crop of wood. Certain states, either directly tree planting and cultivation. More of the same sort of encouragement ought to be given. A farmer can bequeath no better inheritance to the community in which he passes his days than a

Save.

ing trees.

Children who have a little money ought to practice saving something. Many boys and girls of to-day hardly know a higher use for money that comes very likely will go the man's dollars in laying up than a spendthrift ever

The way to keep money is to earn it fairly and honestly. Money so obtainpossessor. But money that is inherstore-every coin being a representa; tive of solid work, honestly and man, rich, obtains money by dashing specu-The party missed the mean man and lations of the devious means which abound in the foggy regions which lie between fair dealing and fraud. Let the young make a note of this.

> Fashion has decreed that the blonde takes the front seat this season. As soon as the brunette finds out that she

A MAN sometimes forgets, before he about trimming night gowns, or some has paid, whether he has paid or not; CURES CLEET AND CONORRHEA

Millstones Superseded.

The primitive method of comminuting or pulverizing the cereals was by means of a stone mortar and a pestle of the same material, and everywhere among the relies of the aborigines of read at the Victoria Institute, Mr. Rasall civilized countries, the mill has taken the place of the p-imitive mortar and pestle. The hand-mill for grind-ing corn into meal is spoken of in many places in the bible, and the work of operating them generally devolved upon the women. The Jewish mill was a simple affair when compared with the perfected mills of more modern times, yet the same principles were involved in their operation. There was the up-per and nether millstone, the latter being fixed and the other rotating upon

In modern times water and steam power have been applied to mills, and the reduction of cereals into meal and flour made comparatively easy. Granite was used for making millstones for centuries, and gave good satisfaction, and when the cleanser for taking out the foul seed and the bolt for producing fine flour were added, it seemed that the height of perfection had been reached. Then came the French buhr stones, which were considered a great improvement over the granite, for grinding wheat, and these have been in general use in ail first-class mills for many years. Recently the new process for making flour was discovered, and that part of the wheat which was formerly fed to stock now makes the best and highest priced flour in the market.

But the time has come when the fa-

mous buhr stones are superseded, and wheat is no longer to be ground, but able supply May 31 of that year, is thus crushed or cracked. In all the best estimated by Professor Sargent, of mills in Minneapolis, the millstones Harvard, in a contribution to the cenhave been taken out and the Hungarian steel rollers have taken their places These rollers are about thirty inches long and eight inches in diameter. It takes five sets of rollers to finish the flour. Each set of rollers runs closer than the preceding. After the wheat passes each set of rollers it is bolted or sifted through a coarse cloth. This cloth lets the disintegrated particles of wheat through, and pa ses off the bulky and large pieces, which are run through another and closer set of rollers and cracked again. The last rollers have little else but the wheat hulls and the waxy germs of the wheat, which do not crack up, but smash down like a piece of wax. The germ of a kernel of wheat is not good food. It makes flour black. By the old millstone process this waxy germ was ground up with the starchy portion, and bolted through with the flour. By the new system of cracking the kernel instead of grinding it, this germ is not ground, but flattened out, crushed into powdered wheat or flour - Maine Farmer.

"Overworked."

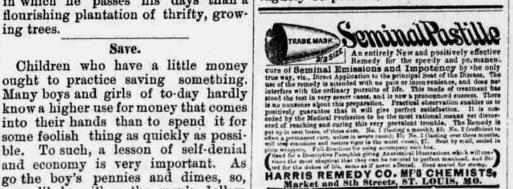
He came home late at night, and his wife woke up and found him with a burning match trying to light the fau-

gas barner."

"I know it now, my love," he replied, unsteadily; "fact is, I've been over-worked and that's the reason made mistake."

"Yes, you look as if you had been lifting a good deal," she quietly answered, as she returned to her pillow.

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